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BITS OF THE BODY

Of Gilbert B. Rue Found And An Inquest Held by Coroner Dawson.

THE FACT IS ESTABLISHED.

That He Ended His Own Life With Heavy Charge of Dynamite.

The remains of Gilbert B. Rue, who blew himself to pieces with dynamite, were gathered together as far as possible Wednesday. Coroner Dawson drove to the scene of the awful tragedy early in the morning and when all parts of the body that could be found had been assembled he held an inquest on the remains. The jury returned a verdict that the deceased "came to his death about 4:45 a. m. Monday, February 9, 1903 in a timber pasture one eighth of a mile from his residence as a result of an explosion of dynamite, discharged by himself and with suicidal intent." The jury was composed of A. J. Trimmer, W. F. Trimmer, C. E. Crispin, C. Danzelsen, Charles Lewis, jr., and Simon P. Lutz.

His Talk of Suicide.

The evidence went to show that Rue had discussed suicide by means of dynamite with a number of persons and had a quantity of the explosive at his house. Letters written to his brothers and brother-in-law were read and showed conclusively his intention to commit suicide in the manner described.

C. E. Crispin testified that he had known Rue for about ten years and had worked with him, using dynamite to blow out stumps for various farmers in the neighborhood. He said Rue had often spoken of what 50 pounds of dynamite would do to a man. The witness talked with Rue Sunday and at that time Rue said that his brother-in-law, Edward Boyer, feared that he, Rue, would commit suicide and therefore wanted Crispin to live at the house with him. Crispin told him that he was mistaken and that his brother-in-law only wished someone to live at the house so that he might have more company and not be so much alone. Rue remarked that nobody could tell, he might live ten years yet.

Arrangements had been completed only last week for Crispin and his family to occupy part of the house, leaving two rooms for Rue.

Parts of the Body.

W. F. Trimmer also, told of conversations in which Rue had discussed the possibilities of suicide by dynamite. He had spoken apparently in a joking way of the effect if a man sat down on a few sticks of dynamite and touched it off. He also remarked that he should have died several years ago when he was very ill with grip. Both Mr. Trimmer and Mr. Crispin were satisfied that the bits of clothing and the fragment of overshoe were the same that were worn by Rue and had no doubt that he was blown to pieces by dynamite.

Letter to His Brother.

Dr. George H. Rue, a brother who is a prominent physician of Lexington, Ill., testified that Gilbert had been in poor health for a number of years. He had however given no intimation to his relatives that he had any idea of suicide until a letter which he wrote to his brother on February 8th. The letter in part is as follows:

"By the time you receive this letter I will be a thing of the past. My diseases are advancing so rapidly that I know it cannot possibly be but a few weeks until my life is ended by the effects of the disease. What I am doing is taking things in my own hands to avoid a world of suffering. I will take my own life. There will not be any funeral, as I will shoot myself with ten pounds of dynamite."

The letter was dated Sunday and at the same time he wrote a similar one to his brother-in-law Principal Edward Boyer of the Bloomington high school. The letters were evidently mailed in the letter box near the house and were taken up by the rural carrier after the fatal explosion. The gentlemen named received them Tuesday morning and immediately communicated with each other and took the first train to Decatur where they arrived Tuesday shortly after noon. They drove at once to the farm where they found the house empty and following a trail of foot prints were led to the spot in the timber where the explosion had taken place. When they had made sufficient examination to establish beyond a doubt the facts of the death and it had become too dark to do anything further, they notified Conorer Dawson who went out Wednesday morning at daybreak and assisted in gathering up the fragments of the body.

Came Back From Visit.

It seems that Gilbert Rue had been on a visit for the past three weeks to his brother George at Lexington and to his sister Mrs. Boyer in Bloomington and that Edward Boyer returned to Decatur with him on Thursday or Friday and saw him settled at the farm before leaving Saturday for Bloomington. He made the arrangements for Crispin to move into the house with Gilbert.

Rue's disease which had resulted in a dropsical affection of the limbs compelled him to wear rubber overshoes in place of shoes and this was a material point in the identification of the remains. The feet which were recovered practically entire and were the only portions of the body larger than one's hand which were found, showed the dropsical condition.

In the Wood Pasture.

The scene of the explosion was a wierd one, on the night of the discovery. The lanterns of the searchers showed a big hole at the foot of the stump against which Rue had leaned while a waited for the blast that was to hurl him into eternity. For a radius of about twenty or thirty feet the ground was cleared and looked as if sprinkled with finely powdered earth and then raked away from the stump.

Outside of this area the ground was sprinkled with fragments of flesh and clothing which had been blown into the air and fallen again in a shower on the ground. Many particles still hung on the twigs of the trees overhead or stuck to the bark or branches. The feet which were the only recognizably human fragments recovered were found forty and sixty yards from the stump and were blown off just below the knee. From the fact that the rest of the body was literally shredded it would appear that the feet were the farthest removed from the explosive and that Rue probably sat down upon several sticks of dynamite and exploded it by means of a fuse and cap, leaning back against the stump while he waited.

Small Pieces Picked Up.

The bones of the legs were splintered and a portion of the backbone which was found back of the stump was clean of flesh and the processes of the vertebra crushed as if with a meat ax. A portion of the scalp as large as the palm of one's hand was found and several long pieces of entrails. A peculiar thing was that the skull which should have been well removed from the effect of the dynamite was shattered into tiny bits. Scraps of duck coat, blue shirt and overalls were all around. His blue bandana handkerchief was undamaged and was found a few feet away.

White and Bloodless.

The rain of Monday night had washed the shreds of flesh until they were white and bloodless and made them even more ghastly.

When everything was collected the remains did not fill a small box eighteen inches square and six inches high.

Shortened Suspense.

An examination of the house showed that Rue had used all the dynamite he had as none was found. A few caps were discovered and a short piece of fuse which showed where it had been cut off. Rue had once said when discussing his theory of suicide by dynamite that the only objection to the process would be the prolonged suspense while waiting for the fuse to burn. He had evidently attempted to shorten the suspense.

Rue had suffered for some months from insomnia and could not sleep in bed. He had constructed a rude reclining chair where he had been accustomed to sleep.

The remains placed in a child's casket will be interred some time today at the Boiling Springs church. There will be a brief service at the grave.

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COMMITTEE ON PRINTING

Gives Hearing On Smith's Resolution Regarding Private Concerns.

Washington, Feb. 11—A hearing was given today by the house committee on printing on the resolution introduced by Representative Henry C. Smith of Michigan, for investigation into the matter of printing messages and documents of presidents by a private concern. Smith made an argument in favor of the resolution and submitted a statement in which he declared that the matter contained in the book was not legally copyrighted. He urged that congress should so declare. He said the language of the federal statutes forbidding the copyrighting of government publications was strong enough to warrant interference by the proper authorities. He further said the government should republish the papers for public distribution.

No action was taken by the committee.

CONTRUCTION DEPARTMENT IS BADLY CRIPPLED

Navy Department in Bad Way For Certain Class of Officers.

Washington, Feb. 11—The naval construction corps is further crippled by the breaking down of Constructor Zahm, in charge of important work at the navy yards, Mare Island, and the resignation of Constructor Tawresey, superintendent of the government work at Union Iron works, San Francisco. Tawresey was later induced to remain in the service. Zahm has been granted a three months leave of absence to enable him to recuperate his health.

The shortage of officers is shown by the fact that vacancies now exist at the head of the construction department of the yards at Boston, San Francisco and Puget Sound with no officers available for assignments to those stations.

FOR REASONS OF STATE CROWN PRINCESS IS INSANE

Saxon People are Required to Believe This—Divorce Granted.

Dresden, Feb. 11—The crown prince of Saxony was today granted a divorce from the crown princess Louise after several doctors had furnished expert testimony in the case.

Although the special court declined to take into account the contention of the former crown princess' lawyers that she was deranged, this theory is fully accepted by King George, Crown Prince Frederick and the Saxon court as the view to be put forth within the kingdom in the future, and that for reasons of state a separation was required. The same reasons also require that people shall be brought to believe the princess acted in an unroyal manner because she was demented. This legend will be nourished until so far as Saxony is concerned it will become an historic truth. The conduct of the princess is considered by monarchists to be most destructive to respect for the crown and they claim every care must be taken to gloss over her misdeeds.

SALT LAKE CITY FIRE

Atlas Block in Center of Business Section Destroyed.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Feb. 11—A fire that started in the Atlas block, a large five story office building in the heart of the business section at 2:30 this morning completely gutted that building, spread to the Central block, leaving that structure a wreck and did other damage that will bring the total loss of a half a million with insurance about half.

The fire was one of the fiercest in the history of the city.

Several lodgers on the top floor of the Atlas block had miraculous escapes from death.

The principal losers are the Walker estate, owner of the Atlas block, $100,000; Salt Lake Hardware company, stock, $250,000; tenants of the Atlas block, $75,000; Central block, $90,000.

The Atlas block was occupied by the Bank of Commerce and the private bank of McGurrin & Co. and scores of professional men.

MUST PAY FOR GOODS.

Judge Humphrey Enters an Order Against Mrs. Gerstell.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 11—Judge Humphrey, of the federal court in the case of Mrs. Anna Gerstell, of East St. Louis, dry goods merchant, charged with contempt of court in concealing property with the intention to defraud creditors, this evening ordered Mrs. Gerstell to pay $15,000, the value of the goods, which it is alleged she is concealing. In the event of failure to pay within ten days she will be committed to jail until the amount is paid.

SNOW SLIDE SWEEPS

Freight Train from Trestle Into the Gulch Below.

Missoula, Mont. Feb. 11—A tremendous snow slide occurred yesterday at a bridge on the Northern Pacific railroad between Mussian and Dorsey, destroying seven spans of trestle work and sweeping a freight train into the gulch many feet below. Every member of the crew was more or less injured two probably fatally.

Wisconsin Dairymen Meet.

Fond Du Lac, Wis., Feb. 11—The thirty-first annual convention of the Wisconsin Dairymen's Association opened today. The address of welcome was delivered by Mayor Bishop and responses were made by Governor Hoard, C. P. Goodrich, Col. Burchard, Fort Atkinson; Stephen Savill, Madison; C. H. Everett, Racine. President Emery delivered his annual address and C. P. Goodrich gave the result of a cow census in Fond Du Lac county. Tonight the principal address was on "Home Making" by Mrs. D. J. Howie, Elm Grove.

Presidential Appointments.

Washington, Feb. 11—The president nominated the following:

Register of land office—James L. McIntosh, Jr., at Sidney, Neb.

Receiver of public moneys—Robley D. Harris, at Sidney, Neb.

Postmasters—Illinois—Charles F. Douglas, of Ashland; Winfield S. Pinnell, of Kansas.

Iowa—George E. Comstock, of Fayette; Earl M. Cass, of Summer.

Michigan—Charles Bidwell, of Tecumseh.

Wisconsin—Anah Cloneker, Spooner.

Collided With Freight Engine.

Chicago, Feb. 11—The southbound Green Bay express on the Chicago Northwestern road, collided with a freight engine at Winnetka this morning, seriously injuring E. P. Fleming, the fireman, and slightly injuring Engineer James Robinson and an unknown man riding on the passenger engine. The passengers were badly shaken up but escaped injury.

Change in Railroad Plan.

Elkhart, Ind., Feb. 11—The Lake Shore and Michigan Southern, which has owned the Indiana, Illinois and Iowa from Streator, Ill., to South Bend, Ind., for years, will on March 1, transfer the control of the road to the operating department of the Lake Shore proper. Elkhart, instead of South Bend, will be made the eastern terminus of the Indiana, Illinois and Iowa.

Careless Miner Causes Explosion.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 11—A serious explosion occurred this afternoon at the colliery of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal Company at Plymouth. Eight men were burned and injured, two of them seriously. It is believed the explosion was caused by igniting gas by a naked lamp carried by a miner.

Bulgaria Proposes Mobilization.

Vienna, Feb. 11—News that the Bulgarian government is contemplating a partial mobilization caused grave uneasiness here. It is still hoped Austria and Russia will prevent the danger assuming alarming proportions.

What men want is not talent, it is purpose; in other words, not the power to achieve, but the will to labor.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

LOST—A locket between the Brunswick alley and the railway station. Finder please return to O. F. Huck at Mt. Pulaski. Reward will be paid.—12-d6.

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ERIE IN MARKET

For a Whole Lot of Box Cars And Engines.

New York, Feb. 11—The directors of the Erie railroad today authorized an issue of $10,000,000 four per cent fifty year gold bonds. The money to be used in betterments. Under an agreement subsequent bonds may be issued from time to time not exceeding $50,000,000. In the list of new rolling stock to be purchased are three thousand freight cars, fifty passenger coaches and 100 locomotives.

PASSENGER RATES IN BAD WAY.

Condition Between Chicago and St. Paul Worst Known in Years.

Chicago, Feb. 11—The Record-Herald tomorrow will say:

The rate situation in passenger business between Chicago and St. Paul is in the worst condition for years.

Meetings which the lines have been holding every two weeks have utterly failed to secure harmony. It is thought the presidents may take hold and try to smooth matters out.

SMOOT IS NOT ALARMED OVER PROSPECT IN SENATE

Will Go to Washington Expecting Very Little Opposition.

Salt Lake, Utah, Feb. 11—Senator-elect Smoot will go to Washington next week. He says he does not anticipate serious interference with his taking his seat. He declares nothing can be brought against him except that he is a member of the Mormon church.

DEATHS OF THE DAY.

Pana, Ill., Feb. 11—Col. Henry H. Bard, aged 91 years old, died today on his farm where he had lived for 65 years.

Carthage, Ill., Feb. 11—George T. Hunsaker, pioneer hardware merchant, is dead, aged 83.

Lally.

Catherine, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Lally, died at the family residence, 1516 East Sangamon street, Wednesday evening, February 11. The funeral will occur Friday.

Compulsory Education Bill.

Madison, Wis., Feb. 11—A compulsory education bill was introduced in the legislature today which requires attendance at some school of children between 7 and 16 years at least eight months each year in cities and five months in the country districts.

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Half peck fine Gano Cooking or Eating Apples 10c		1 pound fresh roasted Rio Coffee 10c	
	1 can fancy Pie Pumpkin 10c		3 pounds new White Corn Hominy 10c
1 package fine Sea Foam Starch 10c		1 sack fine Corn Meal 10c	

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Judicial Convention.

A delegate Republican Judicial convention of the Sixth judicial circuit of Illinois, for the purpose of nominating three candidates for circuit judges of said district, will be held at the court house in Decatur, Macon county, Illinois, on March 12, 1903, at 11 a. m. The basis of representation shall be one delegate for every 200 votes, or fraction over 150 cast for Fred Busse, for state treasurer in 1902. Number of delegates shall be as follows:

Champaign Co. 17. Dewitt Co. 8
Douglas Co. 7. Macon Co. 16.
Moultrie Co. 5. Piatt Co. 7.

The manner of selecting delegates in counties where no delegates have been selected is referred to the proper authorities of said counties.

ROY WRIGHT, Chairman.
WILLIAM BOOTH, Secretary.
Decatur, Ill., Jan. 14, 1903.

SIGNIFICANT DATE.

Thursday, Feb. 12—Abraham Lincoln born in Kentucky, 1809.

No day in American history is held in more tender regard by the plain people than the great emancipator's birthday, Feb. 12.

If Abraham Lincoln were alive he would be 94 years old today. He was but 56 when he succumbed to the bullet of an assassin.

The Chicago coal dealers have been ...d guilty of conspiracy and fined ...00. That society has some rights ...h the mercenary are bound to re... it begins to be recognized.

The admission of Oklahoma would be a fulfillment of the republican platform pledges. It was never understood that more sage brush states should be admitted. One Nevada is enough.

The state senate met last Monday at 5 p. m. There were present Senator Stringer and Senator Rees both democrats. The chaplain prayed fervently for them and the senate solemnly adjourned. Such a meeting, force as the state legislature is rarely seen outside of legislative halls.

Hicks the weather prophet says "in central to northwestern states it will be wise to expect the storms to assume a blizzardous character about the 10th and 11th." Did you ever observe two more calm and blizzardless days than Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 10 and 11?

The legislature discovers that today is a legal holiday and decided to keep it holy. They adjourned Wednesday until next Tuesday. Why not transact the business by telephone? What is the use of putting the railroads to the trouble and expense of hauling the legislators to and fro. Let them have their passes for other purposes.

February 12 is a notable day in the world's history. In addition to our own Lincoln the following great men were born on this day: Old John Winthrop, colonial governor of Connecticut, Cotton Mather, the sturdy old preacher of the witchcraft days of New England, Tadeusz Kosciusko, the Polish patriot, Peter Cooper of New York, merchant and philanthropist; James D. Dana, a noted professor of Yale, and Benson J. Lossing, author, artist and historian. Truly Feb. 12 is a day to be remembered among the good things of earth.

President Roosevelt on horseback, entering the ancient domain of the Louisiana Territory via the Eads bridge, April 30, 1903, the one hundredth anniversary of the transfer from France to the United States, is the proposed opening scene of the St. Louis exposition dedatory ceremonies. Under this arrangement of the first spectacular number of the three days' program, Governor Yates, mounted, at the head of the Illinois National Guard, acting as the presidential escort, would relinquish the honors at the bridge center to Governor Dockery, mounted, at the head of a squadron of United States cavalry and the Missouri National Guard. Won't this be grand?

Some women at Dallas, Texas, have asked to send a handkerchief back to Mrs. Roosevelt, wife of the president. The reason is that it is not as nice as one sent by Mrs. Jeff Davis. Mrs. Roosevelt sent the article when asked, for a kindergarten sale. The ladies of Dallas can not expect a handkerchief overlaid with gold or even silver, in view of the fact that Mrs. Roosevelt is asked to send some article to some fool sale or gift enterprise every few minutes of every day. These appeals would probably foot up a car load a month. Mrs. Jeff Davis is not so. She is a very nice old lady whose husband has been the idol of the south since the days of secession. In the eyes of Dallas women no gift from Mrs. Roosevelt could be so beautiful as one from Mrs. Jeff Davis. Still these southern ladies should treat the wife of the president or any other lady with respect.

TO BASE USES.

Congressman Scott, in a letter to his Iola, Kansas, Register, tells an interesting bit of Washington news. When President Hayes occupied the White House, and Mrs. Hayes banished wine and other liquors from that establishment, a lot of women combined and presented Mrs. Hayes with a large and beautiful inlaid sideboard. Much of the inlaying was done by certain artistic young women who were enthusiasts in the cause of temperance, and the presentation was made the occasion of a great deal of newspaper talk. Well, this sideboard was sold at auction recently along with a lot of other White House furniture and junk, and the purchaser was the proprietor of a well known beer garden in the outskirts of Washington, who paid $85 for it, and who then placed it on exhibition in his saloon, after filling it with wine and other liquors. Learning of the use to which the closet was being put, Colonel John R. McLean went to the saloonkeeper and offered him $850 for it. This offer was refused, and then Colonel Webb Hays, son of the president, tried to buy back his mother's present. But the saloonkeeper demanded $3,000 for it, and the colonel did not feel that he could afford to pay so much. The singular part of the matter is that the sideboard should have been left behind by Mrs. Hayes, and that it should be put up at auction under the circumstances. Probably, however, neither President Roosevelt nor any one else in authority knew the history of the piece of ancient furniture.

GRACE GEORGE'S DATE

For Monday Has Been Cancelled—Comes Later On.

Grace George who was billed to appear in Decatur on the night of February 16 in "Pretty Peggy" cancelled her date Wednesday. If it were not for the fact that she is to come a little later in the season, the amusement lovers of the city would feel disappointed for they have heard much about the rise and success of this young actress and are anxious to see her.

Manager Given was at a loss to know why the engagement was cancelled. Miss George is under the management of W. A. Brady and he scrupulously lives up to his contracts. He at once wired Brady for an explanation and last night received a reply in which the statement was made that Miss George was going from Chicago to the Grand at Cincinnati to fill in time that it was not possible to secure when the engagement was made for her appearance here. Mr. Brady also wired that he would pay all expenses that had been incurred.

He stated further that Miss George would come to this city during the week of March 30 following her engagement at St. Louis. She is now in Chicago and is playing to fine business. Her play, "Pretty Peggy" is said to be the best that she has ever appeared in.

Owing to the change of engagement the Murray Comedy company which was billed to open here next Tuesday night for the remainder of the week will begin the engagement on Monday evening.

AMUSEMENTS.

Mickey Finn.

The attraction at the opera house this evening will be "Mickey Finn." The play was built to please.

Prince of Pilsen.

Jeanette Bageard, who plays the part of Selonie, a French maid in the "Prince of Pilsen," the new musical comedy by Pixley and Luders of "King Dodo" fame, which comes to the Grand on Saturday, Feb. 14, will be remembered as one of the conspicuous members of the Rogers Brothers' company for three seasons. She has made the hit of her life in the "Prince of Pilsen" and now is heralded as one of the best soubrettes on the American stage.

With the Sick.

Mrs. Charles Bauch was operated upon at St. Mary's hospital Wednesday for strangulated hernia. Her condition is critical.

Charles Rogers is ill with pneumonia at his home 1110 East Condit street.

Three new cases of diphtheria were reported on North Witt street Wednesday.

Miss Edna Alexandra of Linn & Scruggs was confined to her home by illness Wednesday.

J. D. Merriweather, civil engineer of the Wabash is seriously ill at his home.

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NEARBY TOWNS

Maroa.

At the adjourned meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers' Mercantile association last Saturday the proposition to go into voluntary liquidation was voted down. The proposition failed to carry the necessary two-thirds of all the votes of the corporation.

John Fuller of Clinton was in Maroa on business connected with the failure of the Crum grocery store.

Fred Ball, attorney of Clinton, was in Maroa on Saturday on a real estate deal.

Sheriff Hoff of Dewitt county came to Maroa on Monday morning and sold his oats from the farm north of town.

Tuesday was a busy day at the elevators. The farmers were delivering their oats.

The managers of the Peoples' Telephone company have decided to sell to each of their patrons a share of stock in said company, if it is desired. By this means the users of 'phones will readily find out whether the prices charged for 'phones are exorbitant or not.

Joseph Eble and W. H. Adams left this morning for Mexico, Mo.

Sheriff Thrift has been here for the past two days having the Crum grocery stock appraised.

Dr. W. T. McLean has been on the sick list this week.

Tax Collector Adams reports receipts of taxes good.

Dick Hoover of Austin transacted business in Maroa on Tuesday.

W. S. Edwards of Creek township, Dewitt county, was in Maroa on business on last Tuesday.

Lewis and Samuel Himle of Friends Creek were in Maroa on business last Monday.

James F. Harris is in the West on real estate business.

Joseph Craig left on Tuesday to take his new position of baggagemaster at Vandalia.

The Masonic lodge at Maroa on Tuesday evening, 3rd inst., conferred the first degree in Masonry on a candidate; on Saturday evening, 7th inst. he was given the second degree and on Monday evening, 9th inst., he received the third degree. And it is said that the candidate "learned his lesson," and was well prepared for the advancement.

Mrs. Banschbach, formerly Mrs. Hager of this city, is very ill at her home in Chicago.

John Hopper, a former citizen of Maroa now a resident of Iowa, was visiting old friends in Maroa last Monday.

The Maroa Dry Goods company are busily engaged in invoicing their large stock of dry goods, clothing, etc.

Feb. 11.

Weldon.

Miss Alta Stackhouse from Clinton was the guest of her sister Friday and Saturday.

Joe Harris from Ellsworth who has been visiting the family of Rev. J. R. Reed, returned to his home Saturday.

Dr. Myers from Clinton came Saturday to see George Huffman, who has been in a critical condition.

Joseph Kelley has been very low with lung fever. His son, Hiram, has the same trouble.

Herman Pryor is moving to the southern part of the state.

Harve Scott will start to Arkansville, Mo., Monday. His son-in-law, C. A. Gale, returned from that place Saturday.

James Giles returned to his home at Arcola Monday to visit his parents. He expects to start to California in about two weeks.

Dr. L. T. Pease from Cisco was here again Monday to see Ellis Reddick. He is improving at this writing.

Mrs. Benjamin Peltz from Clinton came Saturday to be at the bedside of her little nephew, Ellis Reddick.

Mrs. Jacob Zanbro from Champaign came Saturday and will visit her daughter, Mrs. George Reddick.

Mrs. Frank Miles and baby from Farmer City are visiting her parents this week.

Mrs. George Luhrson from Clinton came up Saturday for a week's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ayres.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Oleson are visiting Mr. and Mrs. N. Munch. They will soon move to a farm near Argenta.

Lawrence Younggreen from Indiana, who has been visiting relatives and friends here for the past week, returned to his home Tuesday.

Mrs. Jack Fleming and children returned home from Voorhees Saturday.

Rev. Howard from Birkbeck will assist Rev. Reed in the series of meetings at the M. P. church.

James Dillow who had his hand amputated about two weeks ago, returned home Tuesday much improved in health.

Willis Bradley will move to the farm recently vacated by Henry Roberts. William Roberts will occupy the house vacated by Mr. Bradley.

Feb. 10.

Prairie Home.

D. R. Coulter, A. A. Bortzfield, J. Baird are building a dam preparing to put up ice. Perhaps they are a little late.

F. P. Sheffler took Miss Southcott to Bethany Saturday to go to her home in Shelbyville.

A. L. Cox is on the sick list.

Measles are very bad at Obed and southwest of here. We have no cases yet.

Some are taking advantage of the snow this morning but it will not last long.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Will Reed was buried today.

Will Ogle has begun to move his implements to the Dixon farm.

Feb. 9.

Austin.

The dredge boat that is to make the big ditch or ditches in the new subdistrict, is being built on David Patterson's land in section eighteen. When completed the boat will take a southern course through the lands of David Patterson, John Johnston, A. J. Bradshaw, James Bradshaw, Christian Rau, Mrs. Lydia McKee and the Henry Hall heirs, and connect with the main ditch in the Illini special drainage district. It will be several weeks before the boat is finished and ready for work.

J. A. Nowlin and family who have been living in Des Moines, Iowa, for some time, are back again among their friends. Mr. Nowlin is a graduate in osteopathy and will soon hang out his shingle in Farmer City.

Joe Wimberly has just received a fine new traction engine which makes his threshing and corn shelling outfit complete.

George Johnston's stock sale of horse, mules and cattle is set for Tuesday the 17th.

Frank Gordon, our popular collector has made a good start in his work and reports that collections are easily made this year.

The date of preaching services at the U. B. church has been changed. Services now every two weeks, dating from last Sunday, the 8th inst.

Ed Barry is visiting relatives in Iowa.

There are more cattle feeding in this township than for some time, and cattle feeders are feeling a little blue over the outlook, but hope for better prices later on.

Feb. 9.

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SPORTS OF ALL SORTS

SAMMY M'MACKIN DEAD.

Former Well Known Decatur Pitcher Falls Victim of Pneumonia.

The Associated Press telegrams Wednesday announced the death at Columbus, Ohio, of Sammy McMackin, who pitched for Decatur in 1901. His death was due to pneumonia. Last year McMackin pitched for Columbus and was under contract to pitch for that team during the coming season. The news of his death was received with regret by his friends and admirers in this city. McMackin came to Decatur from an eastern league. He had been a fine pitcher in his day and he was not bad when Decatur had him, although he admitted then that his arm was about all in. What he lacked in his arm however he had in his head, for he was one of the most intelligent players ever seen on the Decatur diamond and he knew all the tricks of the game. He has done splendid work ever since leaving this city and that in company even faster than he was in while here. McMackin leaves a wife and one or two children.

Olympic Games at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Mo. Feb. 11—A cablegram from Paris today announces that the Olympic games will be held in St. Louis in 1904 instead of at Chicago. This is in accord with the proposition of the Chicago committee who referred the matter to the international committee at Paris.

RIOT ALMOST FOLLOWED.

The Defeat of Sunday Baseball Bill in Indiana Senate.

Indianapolis, Feb. 11—In the senate today the law legalizing professional Sunday baseball in cities of 16,000 population and over was killed. The bill had passed the house. A tremendous fight for and against the bill was made in both houses. The scene while the vote was being taken was exciting, and even bordered on riotous. Senators rushed up and down the aisles pleading their cause and the lobbyists outside added their encouragement or disapproval in a boisterous way.

Senator O'Brien refused to vote and was declared in contempt. The vote was 23 to 24.

SPLINTERS OF SPORT.

Manager Hays of Davenport has signed two more promising colts in Frank and Ed Clement, of Springfield, Neb. Frank is 23 and plays at short, and Ed is 21, and is a pitcher. Both have been playing good ball around home and get a good word from the fans out that way, several letters having come to Manager Hayes in commendation of them.

Willie Waldo, the Kansas City midget, has been engaged at $6,000 per year.

The McGovern-Yanger contest is booked for the 15th of March and will go to the club making the highest bid.

G. W. Bement of Evansville, will be president and secretary and treasurer of the Central baseball league. The schedule will consist of 100 games.

South Bend has twenty men under contract to play on the Central League team. South Bend will have twenty-three men with which to open the season They are: Catchers, Thieman, Locke; pitchers, Schaefer, Porter, Butler, Talbott, Harris, Spear, Moffit; first base, Spangler; second base, Grant; third base, Ream and Heller; shortstop, Pluss, infielders, Huff and Connors; outfielders, Hogan, Blodgett, Robinson and Carr. Manager Grant expects to sign Catcher Outcalt, Pitcher Bock and Shortstop Andrews.

The fans who want baseball should be subscribing for stock. The local management want to go into the game with a paid up capital. Business men who do not fancy the game should support it to the extent of one share. There is nothing during the summer season that brings the city into such continuous public notice.

HUMBERTS IN COURT

Preliminary Trial of Swindlers Creates No Commotion.

Paris Feb. 11—The Humbert family made their first appearance in the criminal courts today. The court room was packed with people. All previous examinations of Humberts have been secret. The case does not involve the main questions concerning the Crawford millions but is that M. Cattani a banker who charges the Humberts with libeling him in referring to him as a usurer. The early stages of the trial did not produce any sensation.

Criminal Action Will Be Taken.

Jericho, Long Island., Feb. 11.—Criminal action it is said will be taken against persons implicated in burning Fred Sands of this place. From what can be learned the boy had his hair cut at a hotel. The barber soaked his hair with alcohol and so one threw a lighted match on his head and immediately his head and neck and face were enveloped with flames.

The man who keeps the ills of life below 50 per cent of the sum total of existence does not live wholly in vain.

La Place.

Frank Wilson and son Arthur of Decatur were in this village last week several days on business.

Mark Duncan of Duncanville transacted business betwen trains Saturday in this place.

Miss Bessie Dowling returned to Decatur Saturday after a three week's visit with her cousin Maude Rambo.

Mrs. H. N. Greene is in Mt. Zion visiting relatives for a few days.

Miss Goodrich of the primary room was unable to teach Monday afternoon. Vella Utrey taught in her place.

Wm. Hudson and Cyrus Ransford with their families spent Tuesday with the family of Bert Eikenbery of Cerro Gordo.

H. N. Greene won a ten dollar cash premium in the cigar guessing contest.

An epidemic of German measles is now prevailing in this vicinity. The disease is so mild in form that it has been impossible to control the spread and now it is in most all homes.

Rev. Waltz continues the meetings at the M. E. church. Sunday night and Monday Dr. Reed will be present to conduct quarterly conference and will preach at that time.

D. B. Espy has sold his residence to Thomas McVitty of Casner. Mr. Espy will give possession next week. He will move to the property now occupied by Mr. Hobson who will move to the Aunt Fanny Wilson property.

BACK FROM CONVENTION.

Michael Fahay, J. P. Eckels and W. F. Ferguson returned last night from Bloomington where they attended the annual convention of the Hardware Dealers' Association. Mr. Fahay was elected a member of the legislative committee. The convention will go to St. Louis next year.

The valentine dance by the Cavalier Club last night was very pretty. The hall was decorated with large red hearts hung from the chandeliers and doors and windows.

Quintenz—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Quintenz, 1712 East Wood street, February 10th a daughter.

The man of learning knows too much to be everlastingly boasting about it.

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Mothers! Mothers!! Mothers!!!
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Fine lace stripe Waistings at 15 cents.
Fancy mercerized Oxfords at 19 cents.
Arcadia embroidered light weight Piques at 18 cents.
Fancy mercerized Waisting, eight beautiful designs, at 25 cents a yard.
Poplin mercerized fancy effects in stripes and figures, at 29 cents.
Fine lace stripe Piques, an excellent weave, at 29 cents a yard.
Fancy figured Piques in light and medium weights, at 29 cents a yard.
Highly mercerized novelty checks, figures and stripes, at 35 cents a yard.
Extra high finish fancy embroidered stripes and checks, at 48 cents.
Mercerized Basket Weaves in three styles, at 35 cents a yard.
Heavy lace stripe embroidered Piques, at 58 cents a yard.
Fancy lace stripe Mouseline de Soie effects, at 48 cents a yard.
Plaine Mouseline de Soie, as fine as silk and looks like silk, at 35 cents.
Fine Crepe Mouseline de Soie, a new weave, at 48 cents.
One lot Remnants of fine 36-inch long cloth at 8⅓ cents a yard.
One lot of Mill Ends of fine Piques, worth 15 cents and 20 cents, at 10 cents a yard.
India Linons from 5 cents to 35 cents a yard.
An endless variety of fine sheer Persian Lawns, from 19 to 50 cents a yard.
Checked and stripe Dimities in all the new designs, from 10 cents to 35 cents a yard.

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